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FRENCH BUILDING, MAIN PLAZA.

Will practice in the federal and state courts. Land titles examined.

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Cigars, smoking and chewing tobacco, Fancy candies, cakes and crackers, Full line tin ware, crockery, Etc.
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Old Furniture
MADE NEW.
Joseph Kuck
CABINET MAKER.

And General Repairer is now ready to repair and upholster furniture on Levee and 11th. streets.

S. ZAMORA
THE TAILOR.
ELIZABETH STREET.

I am prepared to make suits and clean clothes on short notice. Work Guaranteed.
Shop Opposite Thielen Bakery.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

DISTRICT AND COUNTY OFFICERS.
Congressman, 11th. district. R. Kleberg
State Senator 27th district. D. McNeil Turner
Representatives: F. W. Seabury
88th. district. Wm. J. Russell
County Judge. Thomas Carson
County Attorney. E. K. Goodrich
County Clerk. Joseph Webb
Sheriff. Celadonio Garza
Treasurer. Ang. Celaya
Assessor. Esquivel Cavazos
Collector. Domingo Lerma
Surveyor. M. Hanson, Jr.
Game Inspector. Tomas Tijerina
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

Precinct No. 1. Atenejenes Ortiz
Precinct No. 2. Jose Celaya
Precinct No. 3. E. B. Raymond
Precinct No. 4. E. S. Champion
Justice Peace Precinct No. 2
Constable. Valentin Gavito
County court meets for civil, criminal and probate business on the third Mondays in March, June, September and December.

CITY OFFICERS.
Mayor. Thomas Carson
Chief of Police. L. H. Bates
Treasurer. Geo. M. Putegnat
Secretary. Frank Champion
Attorney. W. J. Russell
Surveyor. S. W. Brooks
Assessor and Collector. S. Valdez
U. S. DISTRICT COURT.

The following are the officers of and the times and places of holding court for the Southern District of Texas:
U. S. District Judge. Waller T. Burns
Attorney. Marc McLemore
Clerk. C. Dart
Marshals. Wm. Hanson
Galveston: Second Monday January and First Monday in June.
Houston: Fourth Monday of February and September.
Laredo: Third Monday of April and Second Monday of November.
Brownsville: Second Monday of May and First Monday of December.

DISTRICT COURT.
Cameron County: First Monday in February, and First Monday in September, and may continue in session four weeks.
Hidalgo County: Fourth Monday after the First Monday in February and September, and may continue in session two weeks.

Starr County: Sixth Monday after the First Monday in February and September, and may continue in session two weeks.
Duval County: Eighth Monday after the First Monday in February and September, and may continue in session two weeks.

Nueces County: Tenth Monday after the First Monday in February and may continue in session eight weeks and Tenth Monday after First Monday in September and may continue in session four weeks.

J. S. CUSTOM HOUSE.
C. H. Maris. Collector
A. Thornham. Special Deputy
A. A. Browne. Chief Clerk
R. B. Bentfro, Jr. Entry Clerk

POST OFFICE.
Postmaster. J. B. Sharpe
Chief Clerk. H. G. Krause
Registry Clerk. E. S. Dougherty

MEXICAN CONSULATE.
Miguel Carragan. Consul
AMERICAN CONSULATE.
E. Merrill Griffith. Consul

LODGE DIRECTORY.
MASONIC.
Rio Grande Lodge No. 81, A. F. & A. M., meets on the first and third Tuesdays of each month, at 7:30 p. m., at the Masonic Hall on Levee Street.

OFFICERS:
J. L. Pataghat. W. M.
E. K. Goodrich. S. W.
Jesse O. Wheeler. J. W.
W. A. Neale. Secretary
R. H. Wallis. Treasurer
M. Y. Dominguez. Tyler
Ludwig Dreyfus. S. D.
J. F. Bollack. J. D.

KNIGHTS OF HONOR.
Brownsville Lodge No. 3730, K. of H., meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month, at 7:30 p. m., at its hall on Elizabeth Street.

OFFICERS:
Jesse O. Wheeler. Dictator
Celadonio Garza. Vice Dictator
Jno. I. Kleiber. Assistant Dictator
F. E. Starck, Jr. Past Dictator
Aaron Turk. Treasurer
W. B. Austin. Financial Reporter
F. Rivadulla. Reporter

WOODMEN OF THE WORLD.
Acacia Camp No. 690, W. O. W., meets on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month, at 7:30 p. m., at the Woodman Hall, on Twelfth Street.

OFFICERS:
A. A. Aheim. C. C.
F. Champion. A. L.
A. Turk. Banker
Jesse O. Wheeler. Clerk.

MR. SHAW TO URGE ECONOMY IN CUSTOMS.

Secretary Will Ask Congress to Consolidate Many Districts.

Washington.—Congress is to be asked to make changes in the customs service. Secretary Shaw believes that there are too many districts along the coast states, and he is borne out by reports which show that in some cases it costs as much as \$250 to collect a single dollar of receipts.

Mr. Shaw wants to consolidate all along the line, to a number warranted by the amount of business.

The most expensive customs office is at Burford, N. C., where Uncle Sam paid \$362 for every dollar of receipts last year. The district with headquarters at St. Marks, Fla., was almost as poor an investment, the government paying \$363 for every dollar of receipts.

CHRISTIANS TORTURED.

Turkey Using Barbarous Methods to Crush Macedonian Peasants.

London, Nov. 28.—Mail advices here from Constantinople under date of Nov. 24 says:

"In spite of all official denials the Porte is adopting barbarous methods in crushing the Macedonian peasants. In the face of promises of free pardon to those who returned to their homes, Christian villages have been shockingly tortured to make them betray alleged concealed depots of arms or give information regarding the working of the Macedonian committees. Even priests were not spared, while the troops openly plunder the peasants who are being driven to despair."

IMPORTANT LAND SUIT.

Austin, Tex., Nov. 24.—A suit involving the title to what is known as the San Elizario grant in El Paso county is being tried in the district court here. The case is styled the State of Texas vs. William Mechan, et al., there being 105 defendants in all.

The suit is the outgrowth of a change in the channel of the Rio Grande, the State alleging that as a result of this the land thus reclaimed belongs to the State and University fund and that such being the case, the defendants, not having taken out homestead grants, are trespassers.

The defense sets forth that the land in question is a portion of an old land grant and that they have legal title to the disputed territory which comprises 29,000 acres of land.

NEW RECIPES.

Grilled Nuts.—Boil two cupfuls of granulated sugar with one-half a cup of water until it hairs. Add two cupfuls of blanched and dried almonds and filberts mixed and stir till the sugar grains and clings to the nuts. When well coated and before they get into one mass, turn them out and separate any that have stuck together.

Apple Custard with Meringue.—Make a boiled custard of the yolks of three eggs, a pint of milk and a small cup of sugar. Stir this into a pint of apple sauce flavored with lemon and put on the ice. Before serving put the beaten whites of the eggs on top decorated with small bits of currant jelly and flavor with sherry, if desired.

ROOSEVELT FOR CLEVELAND.

New Yorker Wants Ex-President As Leader of Democracy.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 27.—Robert B. Roosevelt, uncle of the President, has come forward in an interview indorsing Grover Cleveland's article on Democratic opportunities. The Roosevelt family is chiefly composed of staunch Democrats and the elevation of one of its members to the Presidency by an opposition political party has not even tempered the Democratic enthusiasm among the Roosevelts, much less changed the political affiliation of one of the family. Robert B. Roosevelt has been a conspicuous supporter of Democratic policies and candidates in the State of New York for a third of a century. He has taken an active part in all of Mr. Cleveland's campaigns and was rewarded during Cleveland's first administration by appointment as minister to the Netherlands. In discussing the letter of Mr. Cleveland, which was made public Sunday morning, Mr. Roosevelt said:

"Mr. Cleveland's statement that the Democracy has regained its old time fighting condition and received the morale that promises the old time success and prestige, I regard as eminently true. I have been an aggressive champion of sound currency for a great many years, and this, until in recent campaigns, has been the policy of the Democratic party. If we are to win, if we are to retain the confidence and support of Democrats everywhere, we must adhere to sound Democratic principles, one of which always has been hard money.

"The great issue of the future, as Mr. Cleveland well says, is the question of trusts. The trusts, in their relations with labor and the public present a problem which the citizens of the country soon will be called upon to solve. This question must be met, and it undoubtedly is true that the people of the country are looking to the Democratic party for its just and honorable solution. Associated with this issue is that of the tariff. Mr. Cleveland rightly demands a tariff for revenue only—which shall no longer grant to certain interests such a share of protection as enables them to create a monopoly in their products. Even more important to my mind is the discrimination now shown by various roads in the granting of freight rates.

"The great trouble with the Democracy today, however, is that we lack leaders for the great National fight. Mr. Hill, in view of what happened in this State on election day, I do not regard as longer worth discussing in a National sense. I had hoped that Mr. Hill, from what he said and did and from his friendly references to Mr. Cleveland early in the campaign, had buried his old animosities and had forgotten them.

"I regard Mr. Cleveland as perhaps the best leader in sight for our party. He always was right in his position on every great question. I realize that his treatment of political leaders lost him the cordial co-operation of many Democrats, but as a party leader he was always to be found on the right side of the greater public questions.

THE OLD RELIABLE



Absolutely Pure
THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE

It undoubtedly is true that the "third term" cry would be a serious obstacle to the success of another fight under the leadership of Mr. Cleveland.

"But, whether the party is to be led to safe ground by Mr. Cleveland or whether some new leader is to develop, I am confident that the tendency is hopefully toward the Democracy as the party upon which the Nation can rely for the proper settlement of the great new issues which have arisen. Within a few years, and probably by 1908, I am satisfied some Democrat will forge to the front whom all true Democrats will follow, forgetting past differences. Here in New York State we shall, perhaps, obtain Democratic victory sooner than in the Nation. Take Tammany Hall, for instance. It seems to be improving very decidedly. A better class of Democrats are affiliating with the organization once more, better methods are being adopted and better results are being obtained. This is very encouraging, because what the Democrats do here in New York City has a vast influence on the Democrats of the country."

MONEY FOR MINERS.

Contributions to Strike Fund Amounted to Over \$2,000,000.

Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 28.—It was officially announced today at the national headquarters of the Mine Workers that when the miners meet in national convention here in January, to prepare a new wage scale, Secretary Wilson will report the amount of money given by them for the strike. It is understood that the total was over \$2,000,000. The convention here last January changed the constitution of the organization so that the officers are elected by the referendum plan. The locals make the nominations and every member then gets a vote on the candidates. It is not likely that President Mitchell, Secretary Wilson or Vice President Lewis will have any serious opposition. The assessment of miners for the strike stopped Nov. 15.

AGE OF COMPETITION.

San Antonio Express.
The whistling girl at one of the places of worship in New York having proved a distinct drawing card, another minister contemplates introducing a xylophone player into his choir. This causes a local paper to suggest that the coon song and the fire queen who dances under varicolored lights may be expected if the progression continues.